

**ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to a hair shampoo composition containing (A) an amphoteric amide lipid, and (B), from 5 to 30 wt.% of sulfate surfactants which are each represented by the formula:  $R-O-(C_2H_4O)_a-SO_3M$  (wherein, R represents a  $C_{8-18}$  alkyl or alkenyl group, a stands for 0 or a positive integer, and M represents an alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, or the like); are made of from 30 to 45 wt.% of a sulfate exhibiting  $a=0$ , from 18 to 27 wt.% of another sulfate exhibiting  $a=1$ , from 10 to 20 wt.% of a further sulfate exhibiting  $a=2$ , and the balance of further sulfates exhibiting  $a=3$  or greater; and contain the sulfates exhibiting  $a=0$  to 2 in an amount of 70 wt.% or greater based on the total sulfates.

The hair shampoo composition of the present invention is able to for example have good foaming property, provide foam with good lubrication upon shampooing, have smooth feel upon rinsing, impart a pleasant feel such as gloss, manageability, resilience and strength to the hair after shampooing, and protect the hair from physical or chemical stimulation to make it resistant to damage.